Information Technology Attachment for Questions and Answers

Exhibit 4-2 PIMS Summary

CEC Data Collection Method / System

Program Information Management System

Description

The Energy Research and Development Division (ERDD) administers the Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) program and awards up to \$83.5 million annually to promote energy research, development, and demonstration projects in the public interest. The Fuels and Transportation Division (FTD) administers the Alternative and Renewable Fuels and Vehicle Technology (ARFVT) program and awards up to \$120 million annually to promote the research, development, and implementation of alternative and renewable fuels and vehicle technology.

Agreement managers in ERDD and FTD use PIMS to oversee and monitor projects funded by these programs. PIMS supports budget allocation, proposal evaluation, award, payment tracking, and project closeout processes. PIMS also supports solicitation management processes to a limited degree. In addition, PIMS provides standard reports related to these activities.

Data Subjects Reported

Staff, Budgets, Solicitations, Participants, Agreements, and Projects.

As of April 2008, for ERDD only, PIMS tracked information for 383 active or completed agreements, 589 work authorizations, and 2,015 projects.

Data Collected

Agreement information (proposals, contracts, work authorizations)

Fiscal information (allotments, budgets, encumbrances, invoices)

Company information

Meeting information

Project information (progress reports, management reviews, publications, summary)

Solicitation information

Information Security, Privacy, and Confidentiality

Some data contained in PIMS is sensitive and is accessible only by authorized agreement managers.

Collection Frequency

Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly, Annual

Key Dates

Budget July	Schedule 7A September
Mid Year January	Spring Finance April
May Revised May	End of Year June

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Exhibit 4-2 PIMS Summary (continued)

Primary Use

Program oversight, tracking, and evaluation

PIMS provides information used in the preparation of the *Public Interest Energy Research Annual Report*

Data Users

Energy Research & Development Division personnel

Fuels & Transportation Division personnel

Commissioners

Legislature

Dissemination Method(s)

Web-based, primarily via intranet and virtual private network

Web-based dynamic reports

Data Form

Microsoft SQL Server

Documentation Available for this Data Collection Method / System

List of all data elements

Data dictionary containing at least the data element format and definitions

Location of stored data

Exhibit 4-3 Budgets System Summary

CEC Data Collection Method / System

Budgets System

Description

The California Energy Commission's Budgets Office is responsible for tracking Commission-wide use of appropriations, allotments, and obligations as they pertain to contract, grants, and loans. The Budget Office accomplishes that by tracking:

- Fund Titles (Item number, Chapter number, Statute, Fiscal year, Fund Expiration Dates)
- Program/Category Information
- Budget List Numbers
- Baseline Budgets, Revisions and Special Appropriations
- Program Cost Accounts (PCAs)
- Allotments
- Obligation Amounts, Balance, Re-directions and Expiration Dates.

Data Subjects Reported

Energy Commission Annual Budget.

Total Records including transactions – 15,206

Data Collected

Annual Budget Allocations

Expenditures Index Codes

Program Cost Accounts Object Codes

Information Security, Privacy, and Confidentiality

Some data contained in the Budgets System is identified as working files and termed sensitive to staff outside of the Budgets Office.

Collection Frequency

Daily, Weekly Monthly, Semi Annual, Annual

Key Dates

Budget July, Schedule 7A September
Mid Year January Spring Finance April
May Revised May End of Year June

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Exhibit 4-3 Budgets System Summary (continued)

Primary Use

Monitoring and evaluation

Reporting to the federal government

Reporting to the state government

Data Users

CEC Budgets Office

Dissemination Method(s)

Web-based via intranet only

Web-based dynamic reports

Downloadable data files

Data Form

Microsoft SQL Server, Microsoft Excel

Documentation Available for this Data Collection Method / System

List of all data elements

Data dictionary containing at least the data element format and definitions

Location of stored data

Exhibit 4-4 Contracts Summary

CEC Data Collection Method / System

Contracts System

Description

The Energy Commission's Contracts Office follows State law and Energy Commission policy in making sure that all Contract Agreements are fully executed before a Contractor begins work. An agreement is NOT considered executed until it has received all required approvals, including DGS approval if required, and has been signed by both the Contractor and Contracts Office Manager.

- A Division's approved contract package submitted by a Contract Manager is delivered to the Contracts Office which performs the following review:
- Completeness of Information
- Contractor selection process and appropriate justification
- Review Non-Competitive Bid (NCB) request and route for approval
- Review Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) exemption request and route for approval
- Assigns a contract number and enter in the contract tracking system

Data Subjects Reported

Contracts for the California Energy Commission Total records including transactions – 15,639

Data Collected

Contractor Details Special Preference Program Detail

Project Manager Details DVBE Details

Contract Details

Information Security, Privacy, and Confidentiality

Information recorded during the bidding part of the contract is confidential. Once a contract award is made the data/information is no longer confidential.

Collection Frequency

Daily

Key Dates

Fiscal Year Cut Off June 30th of each year

Primary Use

Recording Contracts

Overseeing the Contract Bidding Process

Contract Award

State / Federal Programs Supported

DVBE

Small Business

CMAS

MSA

Exhibit 4-4 Contracts System Summary (continued)

Data Users

CEC - Contracts Office, Budgets Office, Legal Office, Executive Office, Program Divisions

Dissemination Method(s)

Web-based dynamic reports

Downloadable data files

Data Form

SQL Server Database, Microsoft Excel

Documentation Available for this Data Collection Method / System

List of all data elements

Data dictionary containing at least the data element format and definitions

Location of stored data

User Guide

Exhibit 4-5 Grants & Loan System Summary

CEC Data Collection Method / System

Grants & Loan System

Description

The California Energy Commission uses the Integrated Grants and Loans system to collect and manage data associated with state and federal grants and loans programs. These financial instruments are used to supplement and support energy efficiency projects throughout the State of California. The purpose of a majority of these grants or loans is to assist cities, counties and other public entities in implementing projects and programs to reduce total energy use, reduce fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency in building and other appropriate sectors. A majority of these funds from this program go directly to local governments, public institutions, tribal governments and a smaller amount goes to other approved recipients.

Data Subjects Reported

Active Loans - 175 Total Loans - 675
Active Grants – 123 Total Grants – 1,330

Total Records including transactions 0 35,043

Data Collected

Recipients (Name, Address, City)

Budget and Allocated Funding

Industry Sector Facility Type

Energy Conservation Measures Legislative Districts (senate/Assembly)

Loan Data (Amount/Interest/Term Energy Efficiency Information (Payback/Technology)

Information Security, Privacy, and Confidentiality

Access to the system is controlled via Active Directory and is only accessible via the Energy Commission Intranet. Users are granted Viewer, User, or Administrative rights by the system administrator.

Collection Frequency

Semi Annually for loans

Key Dates

Loans due June/December

Primary Use

Monitoring and evaluation

Reporting to state and federal government

Invoicing for Loans
Reporting to the public

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Exhibit 4-5 Grants & Loan System Summary (continued)

State / Federal Programs Supported

Data Users

Special Projects Office, Fuel & Transportation Divison Grants and Loans Office

Accounting Office

Dissemination Method(s)

Web-based via Intranet only

Downloadable data files

Data Form

MS SQL Server Database, Microsoft Excel

Documentation Available for this Data Collection Method / System

Data Dictionary

Location of stored data

User Manual